

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): An image formation apparatus, in which a light emitted from a light source is deflected towards a condensing lens, the condensing lens condenses the light and focuses the light on an image carrier, comprising:

an optical housing that houses the condensing lens;

a fixing member that is fixed to the optical housing and is a single fixing member of the condensing lens, wherein:

the condensing lens is fixed to the single fixing member such that the fixing member is arranged at a position in a center of the lens,

the fixing member has an area that is smaller than an area of the condensing lens from a top plan view and is arranged to transmit ultraviolet ray therethrough, the fixing member is configured to be fixed to the condenser lens at the area in such a manner that the fixing member does not directly contact the condensing lens, the fixing member has a coefficient of thermal conductivity lower than that of the optical housing, and is being a separate member from the condensing lens and the housing, and the fixing member does not directly contact the condensing lens,

ultraviolet cure adhesive is applied between surfaces of the condensing lens and the fixing member such that the condensing lens is fixed to the fixing member via using the ultraviolet cure adhesive,

ultraviolet cure adhesive is applied between the surfaces of the fixing member and the housing, and

the condensing lens, the fixing member and the housing are fixed at a same time by irradiating ultraviolet rays in such a way the ultraviolet rays transmit through the condensing lens, the ultraviolet cure adhesive and the fixing member, the condensing lens, the fixing

member, and the housing being arranged and structured such that an ultraviolet light source can irradiate the ultraviolet rays to the ultraviolet cure adhesive through the condensing lens and through the fixing member at the same time, and

~~a coefficient of thermal conductivity of the fixing member is lower than a coefficient of thermal conductivity of the optical housing.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the condensing lens and the fixing member include positioning units, wherein the positioning units of the condensing lens and the fixing member engaged with each other to thereby fix the condensing lens to the fixing member.

4. (Previously Presented): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the fixing member and the optical housing include positioning units, wherein the positioning units of the fixing member and the optical housing engaged with each other to thereby fix the condensing lens to the fixing member.

5. (Currently Amended) The image formation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the fixing member is formed by molding glass and has an ultraviolet ray transmittance equal to or more ~~[[that]]~~ than 50 percent, and

the fixing member is fixed to the optical housing with an ultraviolet cure adhesive.

6. (Currently Amended): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein

the fixing member is formed by molding plastic and has an ultraviolet ray  
transmittance equal to or more ~~[[that]]~~ than 50 percent, and

the fixing member is fixed to the optical housing with an ultraviolet cure adhesive.

7. (Original): The image formation apparatus according to claim 5, wherein  
the condensing lens is fixed to the fixing member with an ultraviolet cure adhesive.

8. (Original): The image formation apparatus according to claim 6, wherein  
the condensing lens is fixed to the fixing member with an ultraviolet cure adhesive.

9. (Original): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein  
a length of the fixing member is equal to or longer than one third of a length of the  
condensing lens, and the condensing lens is fixed to the fixing member such that the length of  
the fixing member is parallel to the length of the condensing lens.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Currently Amended): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1,  
wherein the fixing member and the optical housing ~~includes~~ include holes so that the fixing  
member and the optical housing are fixed using screws.

12. (Original): The image formation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the fixing member includes a snap fastener made of plastic, the optical housing includes holes to engage the snap fastener.